Montgomery County, MD - Veterans Network Directory

Financial Assistance

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Air Force Aid Society

Airman & Family Readiness Center 11 FSS/FSFR 1191 Menoher Drive Andrews AFB, MD 20762 www.afas.org 301-981-7087 (V)

Support the Air Force mission by providing worldwide emergency assistance, sponsoring education assistance programs and offering an array of base community enhancement programs that improve quality of life for Airmen and their families. The Society provides interest free loans and grants based on the individual situation for needs such as basic living expenses, emergency travel, vehicle expenses, funeral expenses, medical/dental, child care/respite, moving expenses and miscellaneous expenses. Airmen or eligible family members who have an emergency need should contact the nearest Air Force Aid Society office. Eligible persons include:

- · Active duty Air Force personnel and their eligible family members
- Retired Air Force personnel and their eligible family members, but not on a continuing basis, and based on a caseby-case review
- Air National Guard or Air Force Reserve personnel away from home station on extended active duty 15 days or more under Title 10 USC
- Spouses and dependent age children of deceased Air Force personnel (who died on active duty or in retired status)

American Red Cross - Service to the Armed Forces

Walter Reed National Military Medical Center 8901 Wisconsin Avenue Bldg 8, 2nd Floor, Rm 2189 Bethesda, MD 20889 www.redcross.org/find-help/military-families/veterans-services 1-877-272-7337 (Toll Free) 301-295-1538 (V)

Red Cross provides emergency communications, access to emergency financial assistance, information and referral, veterans assistance, and aid in the field where Red Cross workers are deployed to service with America's military.

Army Emergency Relief

220 Stovall Street
Alexandria, VA 22332
E-mail: assistance@aerhq.org
www.aerhq.org/dnn563

703-428-0000 (V) 1-866-878-6378 (Toll Free)

AER is the Army's own emergency financial assistance organization and is dedicated to "Helping the Army Take Care of its Own". Help with emergency financial needs for food, rent or utilities, emergency transportation and vehicle repair, funeral expenses, medical/dental expenses, personal needs when pay is delayed or stolen, and give undergraduate-level education scholarships, based primarily on financial needs, to children of soldiers. Emergency relief eligible for:

- soldiers on extended active duty and their dependents;
- members of the Army National Guard and the U.S. Army Reserve on continuous active duty for more than 30 days and their dependents;
- soldiers retired from active duty because of longevity or physical disability, or retired upon reaching age 60

(Reserve Components) and their dependents;

- medically retired soldiers and their eligible family members;
- widows, widowers, or orphans of soldiers who died while on active duty or after they retired.

Coalition to Salute America's Heroes

E-mail: info@saluteheroes.org

1-888-447-2588 (Toll Free)

https://saluteheroes.org/get-help/sub-2

Emergency financial relief often covers expenses such as: utility bills (gas, electric, water, cable, internet, and phone service), car payments and repair costs, mortgage and rent payments, groceries, baby formula, and household supplies, school supplies and clothing, and medical bills. Exclusively assist U.S. servicemen and women who have been severely injured while serving in Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. To be eligible for emergency financial relief or other forms of aid, applicants must meet the following minimum requirements:

- A service-connected injury occurring in theater in either Iraq or Afghanistan;
- A disability rating assigned by the Department of Defense or the Department of Veterans Affairs of 30 percent or greater from a single, sustained injury;
- Currently experiencing severe financial hardship;
- Completion of a Coalition to Salute America's Heroes aid application and timely submission supporting documentation as requested; and
- Completion of a phone interview with a Coalition to Salute America's Heroes case manager.

Interest applicants can fill out the <u>online form</u>. If you are facing an eviction, a shut-off of utility services or an emergency need due to a natural disaster, please call our emergency hotline at 914-432-5400 and choose option 1 to speak with a case manager.

Community Council for the Homeless at Friendship Place

www.friendshipplace.org/veterans

202-658-9599 (V)

Veterans First is a Friendship Place program providing supportive housing services to veterans and their families in the DC Metro area. Provide case management to assist with locating affordable housing, assistance with paying first month's rent and security deposit, and emergency rental and utility assistance.

Disabled American Veterans (DAV) - Transportation Network

Department of Maryland

410-539-1310 (V)

Tommie L. Hawkins, State TN/Service Coordinator 101 N. Gay Street, Rm. B Baltimore, MD 21201

Baltimore VAMC

410-605-7000 x 6733 (V)

Rosaria Ann Thompson, Hospital Service Coordinator 10 N. Greene St., Rm. 1D161 Baltimore, MD 21201

www.dav.org/veterans/i-need-a-ride

Free transportation to VA medical facilities for injured and ill veterans.

National Guard Financial Management Awareness Program (FMAP)

www.jointservicessupport.org/FMAP

The program helps National Guard members and their spouses improve their financial preparedness by providing free resources and encouraging sound financial practices.

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Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society - Financial Assistance and Counseling

Building 11, Room 118 9045 Beale Road Bethesda, MD 20889 301-295-1207 (V)

E-mail: Bethesda@nmcrs.org

http://www.nmcrs.org/pages/financial-assistance-and-counseling

Provide interest free loans and grants to help with a wide range of financial needs. Common situations include: food; rent/mortgage, utilities, essential home repairs; Establishing a new residence, including security and utility deposits; Car expenses, such as repairs and insurance deductibles; Medical expenses; Military pay shortage / delayed entitlements; and funeral expenses. Financial resources and assistance are available to: Active duty or retired Sailors and Marines; Eligible family members with military ID card; Surviving spouses; and Reservists on active duty of 30 days or more.

Operation Homefront

www.operationhomefront.net/dcmetro/default.aspx

703-421-9033 (V) 1-877-264-3968 (Toll Free)

Provide emergency assistance to troops, families, and returning wounded warriors. Programs include emergency aid (food, baby care items, vehicle donation and repair), furniture program (donate household and baby furniture, working-order appliances), computer program (allow children and spouses to stay in touch with loved ones), financial assistance (for crises such as illness, homelessness, and death), and moving (provide physical labor for families when a service member is deployed). Many programs are open to all active military families, although some are restricted to military families coping with deployment and injury recovery (from trauma through successful transition back to civilian life).

Operation Second Chance

E-mail: assistance@operationsecondchance.org http://operationsecondchance.org/supportandassistance 301-972-1080 (V) 1-888-672-4838 (Toll Free)

Provide airfare and essential daily assistance. Items that will be considered for assistance:

- Rent/Mortgage (must be accompanied by a copy of mortgage statement with account number and billing address. If rental assistance is being requested, a copy of the rental agreement that has the name/address of the rental/lease company, monthly rent amount.
- Utility bills (electric, gas, water, sewer).
- Childcare during illness or surgery.
- Housing and/or airfare for a family member to assist an injured or recovering member.

Please have your service liaison, chain of command, or care provider request an application by email.

Rebuild Hope

E-mail: dana@rebuildhope.org www.rebuildhope.org

National network that "connects" donors to beneficiaries and helps seriously wounded current-era veterans and their families overcome short term financial problems as they strive to build healthy and stable civilian lives by helping them develop realistic budgets and by offering complimentary counseling and referral services. Provide emergency grants and no-interest loans to pay for essential needs and help identify additional sources of financial assistance.

Veterans of Foreign Wars - Unmet Needs Program

E-mail: <u>unmetneeds@vfw.org</u> <u>www.vfw.org/unmetneeds</u> 1-866-789-6333 (Toll Free)

Provides grants (not loans) and referrals to other organizations to active duty or recently discharged service members and their immediate families to assist with basic life needs. Service member has to be on active duty or discharged from active duty within 36 months prior to applying, and negatively affected by their military service. Unmet Needs assists with any expenses that are classified as "basic life needs", which includes, but is not limited to the following: housing expenses such as mortgage, rent, repairs, insurance, vehicle expenses such as payments, repairs, insurance, utilities and primary phone, food and incidentals, children's clothing, diapers, formula, necessary school or childcare expenses, and medical bills, prescriptions and eyeglasses – the patient's portion for necessary or emergency medical care only.